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## FOR JORDEN FROM BUNKER

- 1. AS DISCUSSED DURING YOUR RECENT CONSULTATION HERE, WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL NOW TO FORMALIZE THE DE FACTO RELATIONSHIP WHICH FIRST SECRETARY BLACKEN HAS ESTABLISHED WITH CANAL ZONE ENTITIES AND EMPLOYEES AS THE RESIDENT SPOKESMAN FOR THE UNITED STATES NEGOTIATORS. THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE CONCURS.
- 2. ACCORDINGLY YOU MAY WISH TO ARRANGE THAT THE PANAMA REVIEW COMMITTEE DECIDE UPON THE TEXT, METHOD AND TIMING OF AN ANNOUNCEMENT WITHIN THE CANAL ZONE OF BLACKEN'S LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DESIGNATION BY THE UNITED STATES NEGOTIATORS AS THEIR

"LIAISON OFFICER".

3. DEPENDING UPON OTHER EVENTS, YOU MAY WISH TO ADVISE APPROPRIATE PANAMANIAN AUTHORITIES INFORMALLY IN ADVANCE OF THIS DESIGNATION AND EXPLAIN THAT IT CONSTITUTES ONE MECHANISM FOR ALLEVIATING UNWARRANTED FEARS, FOR QUASHING RUMORS, AND FOR OTHERWISE TRYING TO LESSEN OPPOSITION TO A NEW TREATY RELATIONSHIP WITH PANAMA. INGERSOLL

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